

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (currently amended) A method for providing remote procedure calls in a multiprocessing system, the multiprocessing system including a general purpose processor and a plurality of network processors; each of the plurality of network processors having a memory, the method comprising the steps of:
- (a) accessing a reserved address in the memory of at least one of the plurality of network processors, wherein the reserved address comprises a first portion and a second portion, wherein the reserved address is known to a remote procedure call requestor, wherein the second portion comprises a pointer for an instruction address of a procedure code, wherein the instruction address is not known to the remote procedure call requestor;
- (b) initiating a software action by a the first portion of the reserved address, wherein the software action comprises obtaining the pointer in the second portion of the reserved address; and
- (c) pointing to an accessing and processing the procedure code at the instruction address utilizing the pointer within the memory of the at least one network processor to be processed based upon data in a second portion of the reserved address; wherein the data at the address is processed.



- 2. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein the reserved address comprises one instruction.
- 3. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein each of the network processors include a reserved address.
- 4. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein a location of the reserved address of each network processor is known by the other processors.
- 5. (original) The method of claim 4 wherein the reserved addresses of each network processor is in the same location of memory.
- 6. (currently amended) A system for providing remote procedure calls in a multiprocessing system, the multiprocessing system including a general purpose processor and a plurality of network processors; each of the plurality of network processors having a memory, the system comprising:

means for accessing a reserved address in the memory of at least one of the plurality of network processors, wherein the reserved address comprises a first portion and a second portion, wherein the reserved address is known to a remote procedure call requestor, wherein the second portion comprises a pointer for an instruction address of a procedure code, wherein the instruction address is not known to the remote procedure call requestor;

means for initiating a software action by a the first portion of the reserved address, wherein the software action comprises obtaining the pointer in the second portion of the reserved address; and

means for pointing to an accessing and processing the procedure code at the instruction address utilizing the pointer within the memory of the at least one network processor to be processed based upon data in a second portion of the reserved address; wherein the data at the address is processed.

- 7. (original) The system of claim 6 wherein the reserved address comprises one instruction.
- 8. (original) The system of claim 6 wherein each of the network processors include a reserved address.
- 9. (original) The system of claim 6 wherein a location of the reserved address of each network processor is known by the other processors.
- 10. (original) The system of claim 9 wherein the reserved addresses of each network processor is in the same location of memory.